

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
GALVESTON DIVISION**

United States District Court
Southern District of Texas

ENTERED

June 16, 2021

Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

KURTIS MELCHER et al

VS.

TITLEMAX OF TEXAS, INC., et al

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CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:21-cv-046

DOCKET-CONTROL ORDER

This case will be controlled by the following schedule:

DEADLINES

1. **7/2/2021** **DEADLINE TO AMEND THE PLEADINGS.** Parties may amend pleadings by this date without leave of court, but only in compliance with Rule 6 in Judge Brown's procedures. If the plaintiff(s) file(s) an amended complaint by this date, the defendant(s) may file a responsive pleading in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(3). After expiration of this deadline, a party seeking to amend a pleading must file a motion for leave demonstrating both good cause and excusable neglect in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b)(1)(B).
2. **7/2/2021** **DEADLINE TO ADD NEW PARTIES.** Unless a case has been removed from state court, new parties may be added by this date without leave of court. After the expiration of this deadline, a party seeking to add a new party must file a motion for leave demonstrating both good cause and excusable neglect in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b)(1)(B). The attorney causing the addition of new parties will provide copies of this order and all orders previously entered in the case to new parties. **Note:** If a case has been removed from state court, a motion for leave must be filed seeking permission to add new parties.
3. **1/28/2022** Identification of **plaintiffs' experts** and production of experts' reports in the form required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)(B).
4. **2/25/2022** Identification of **defendants' experts** and production of experts' reports in the form required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)(B).

5. **3/25/2022 COMPLETION OF DISCOVERY.** Written discovery requests are not timely if they are filed so close to this deadline that the recipient would not be required under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to respond until after the deadline.
6. **4/1/2022 DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS.**
7. **5/13/2022 ALL OTHER PRETRIAL MOTIONS.**
8. **7/1/2022 EXCHANGE PRETRIAL MATERIALS.** Parties should exchange and begin to confer on motions *in limine*, exhibit lists, and deposition designations.
9. **7/8/2022 DOCKET CALL is set at 9:30 a.m.** All *Pretrial Filings* (exhibit list, witness list, etc.) required under Rule 11 of the Galveston District Court Rules of Practice must be filed at least one day before this date. At docket call, the court may announce rulings on any pending matters, ***the case will be set for trial on a date certain within the next 60 days***, and further pretrial orders may be issued.

SIGNED on Galveston Island this **16th** day of June 2021.



ANDREW M. EDISON
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE